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Leader: In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

Hymn: "Spread the Reign of God the Lord" (LSB 830 verses 1, 5 & 6)

Responsive Reading (Romans 10:8–17)

Leader: But what does it say? "The word is near you, in your mouth and in your heart" (that is, the word of faith that we proclaim); because, if you confess with your mouth that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved.

Response: For with the heart one believes and is justified, and with the mouth one confesses and is saved.

Leader: For the Scripture says, "Everyone who believes in him will not be put to shame." For there is no distinction between Jew and Greek; for the same Lord is Lord of all, bestowing his riches on all who call on him.

Response: For "everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved."

Leader: How then will they call on him in whom they have not believed? And how are they to believe in him of whom they have never heard? And how are they to hear without someone preaching?

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And how are they to preach unless they are sent? As it is written, "How beautiful are the feet of those who preach the good news!" But they have not all obeyed the gospel. For Isaiah says, "Lord, who has believed what he has heard from us?"

Response: So faith comes from hearing, and hearing through the word of Christ.

Prayer: Dear Lord, You have called us to share Your Word with those around us. Through the power of Your Holy Spirit, give us the words to say as we meet with friends and family who may not know You as their Lord. As we bring our mite offerings in support of grants, especially as we support the grant to Mission Nation Publishing for the Missionaries to America Project, open our eyes to all those around us who may not know Jesus as Savior. In His name, we pray. Amen.

Hymn: "Listen, God Is Calling" (LSB 833)

Benediction: Now to Him who is able to keep you from stumbling and to present you blameless before the presence of his glory with great joy, to the only God, our Savior, through Jesus Christ our Lord, be glory, majesty, dominion, and authority, before all time and now and forever. Amen (Jude 24–25).

